

# THE BRIGHT CHOICE: ED LIGHTING





Are you planning a home renovation? Look for ENERGY STAR certified LED lighting to enhance your new home design, save money on your energy bills, and help protect the climate!

### Why buy ENERGY STAR certified LED bulbs and fixtures?

- Use 90% less energy than incandescent bulbs
- A single certified bulb can save up to \$75 in electricity costs over its lifetime
- Provide the same brightness (lumens) with less energy (watts)
- Last up to 25 times longer than incandescent bulbs
- Variety of shapes and sizes to fit your renovation needs
- Help protect the environment and prevent climate change
- Independently certified and extensively tested to assure quality, performance, and promised energy savings



#### What are the features of ENERGY STAR certified LED bulbs and fixtures?

#### Stifetime Savings

Replacing your home's five most frequently used bulbs or light fixtures with ones that have earned the ENERGY STAR can save \$35 each year. ENERGY STAR certified ceiling fans with lights are 60% more efficient than standard models and can save you \$170 in energy costs over the fan's lifetime. Plus, many utilities offer rebates on certified bulbs or fixtures.

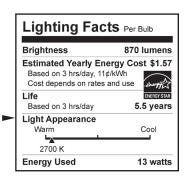
#### **Dimming Capability**

If you're looking for dimmable lighting, make sure to install dimmer switches that are compatible with LED lights. ENERGY STAR bulbs and fixtures provide dimming capability and compatibility information right on the package. Learn more at energystar.gov/dimmable.



#### **Color**

To earn the ENERGY STAR, LED lighting must meet six different requirements to ensure quality light color. (Improperly designed LED products can degrade over time). You can also choose from different shades of white light, allowing you to customize



the feel of your space. Available shades range from a soft, warm glow that matches traditional lighting to a whiter, crisper light for activities like reading or projects. Choose the **light appear**ance number that fits your needs (e.g. 2700K for soft, warm and 4100K+ for whiter, crisper shades). Make sure to select the same shades for lights sharing the same space.

## **ENERGY STAR LED Lighting for the kitchen**

Below, you'll see a range of ENERGY STAR certified fixtures to help you create the ambiance you want, while properly displaying the natural colors of foods and providing you with the work light you need.

## **A** Under-Cabinet Lighting

Under-cabinet lighting provides direct illumination of kitchen work surfaces. Most fixtures are out of sight and positioned to minimize shadowing. ENERGY STAR under-cabinet LED fixtures use thin designs that only use a small fraction of the electricity of halogen or xenon bulbs and last much longer. They also direct the light right onto your work surface so you can clearly see what's on your counter.

### **B** Recessed Ceiling Lighting

ENERGY STAR certified recessed ceiling fixtures provide excellent lighting. If you are installing cans from scratch consider fully integrated ENERGY STAR recessed can fixtures, they are optimized for the technology and fixture application. If you already have cans installed, look for ENERGY STAR certified retrofit kits or reflector

style bulbs. To earn the ENERGY STAR, these products must be tested to ensure they perform well inside a can.

#### **C** Pendant Fixtures

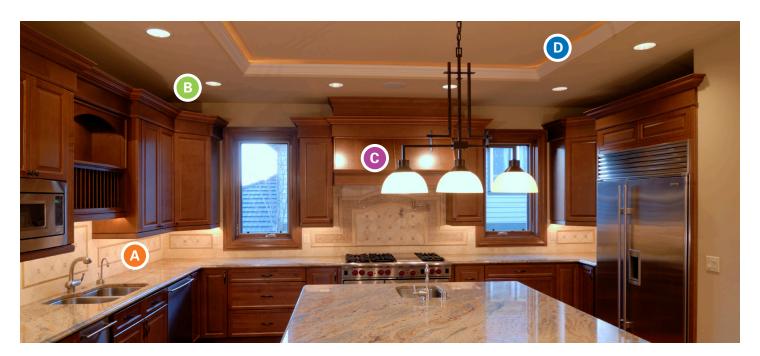
Hang pendant fixtures over high-use areas, like a table or breakfast nook. To control glare, hang lamps above standing eye-level height. To minimize shadows, avoid locating hanging fixtures too near cabinets or behind where a person might stand.

### Architectural Lighting

For significant renovations, talk to your builder or contractor about light fixtures that blend into your home's architecture. Cove fixtures can be built into spaces above cabinets, into exposed beams, or behind decorative valances to create exactly the effect you want, with excellent energy efficiency.

### Ceiling Fixtures

Traditional ceiling fixtures provide general, indirect lighting from a central location. Complement these light sources with task lighting that targets high-use areas like countertops or sinks.



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